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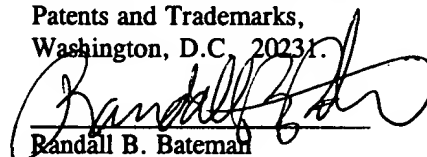
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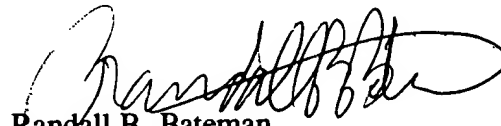
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Sir:

On July 16, 2002, Applicant's counsel contacted Examiner Mark S. Graham of Art Unit 3711, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, regarding the above-referenced case. Applicant discussed proposed changes to the claims. The Examiner indicated that the claims were too extensive and would not be entered. Applicant stated that the claims should be considered as they were essentially the focus of argument and were simply clarifying limitations previously made and argued. The Examiner maintained that they were too extensive to consider. Additionally, Applicant submitted that claim 8 had been indicated to contain allow subject matter and, therefore, should not have caused a final rejection. The Examiner maintained that the final rejection was appropriate.

Applicant's counsel requested that a prompt advisory action be provided so that a Notice of Appeal could be timely filed without payment of further extension fees.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this 6th day of August, 2002.

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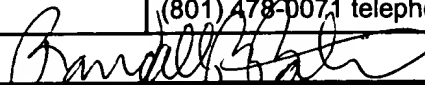
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